Haskell Lake Area Petroleum Contamination Site (Tower Standard LUST)

Meeting Date: 09 May 2017 Location: teleconference

Meeting Participants:

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Discussion Items:

1. Data model improvements.

In addition to Tribal comments on earlier model iterations, LDF grouped critical deficiencies into three categories.

- Data has been deleted from slide BH-17 and several other slides. LDF's preferred solution is to either restore the deleted data or to withhold the affected slides from public view.
- Control points have been inserted into the data model. These are said to skew the model
 eastward. LDF's preferred solution is to acknowledge the visualization impacts from these
 insertions and to avoid making decisions based on an inaccurate model.
- Screened intervals for eleven wells are inaccurate, as compared to boring logs.

LCD did not respond in detail, needing more time to study LDF objections and arrange contractor support.

2. Release of data model to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR).

The group consensus remains that the current data model is adequate for siting of additional monitoring wells. LDF rejected release of the data model to WDNR until the deficiencies in Item 1, above, have been corrected. LDF is concerned that the data model is currently misleading and may be used inappropriately. A transmittal disclaimer acknowledging deficiencies, explaining additional data collection plans, and limiting recommended uses was not considered sufficient by LDF to allow release.

3. Possibility of LDF funding for data model improvements.

LDF is willing to contract directly with S2C2 (or other suitable contractor) to incorporate comments on earlier model iterations and address listed model deficiencies. LDF thought a contract might be in place in a matter of days, especially if EPA can provide language for the statement of work. EPA will have to ask its contractor (Bristol) for contract language used with the subcontractor (S2C2). Unknown if request will be granted and unknown if S2C2 is available. No estimate of total time required to complete task was ventured. LCD would need to review model revision results. Task orders developed under a nationwide contract were previously provided to LDF.

4. Additional USGS site work.

USGS plans to be on site on 15 May 2017. Access to the site has not yet been requested from the property owners. There was some disagreement over wording and meaning of existing EPA access agreement. LCD reiterated that USGS is not an agent of EPA under the agreement and that access was granted by owners to USGS last time as a favor. LCD will consider making a similar request for the pending event. Without site access, USGS and other participants are expected to gather data from outside the property. LDF has arranged for law enforcement observers during field work. EPA was also invited to attend.

Action items:

- 14. LCD will ask Bristol for available statement of work language for model revisions.
- 15. LCD will consider requesting site access from property owner for USGS work (15 May 2017).
- 16. If LDF contracts model revision work, LDF will keep EPA informed of likely timetable for task completion.
- 17. LCD will inform WDNR that the teleconference scheduled for 11 May 2017 should be postponed, pending resolution of data model issues. The next scheduled technical call is scheduled for 25 May 2017.